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**UTILITY PATENT
APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Box PATENT APPLICATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Enclosed for filing is the utility patent application of Mark ASHBY for DEPTH AND PUNCTURE CONTROL FOR SYSTEM FOR HEMOSTASIS OF BLOOD VESSEL.

- ☐ Applicant(s) hereby request(s) that the above-captioned application **NOT BE PUBLISHED** under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.211. The undersigned hereby certifies that the invention disclosed in this application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.
- ☒ Applicant(s) suggest(s) Figure **8E** for inclusion on the front page of the patent application publication and patent.

Also enclosed are:

- ☒ 31 sheet(s) of [] formal [X] informal drawing(s);
- [] a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and/or 365 is [] hereby made to _
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- [] an Information Disclosure Statement;
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- [] Other: _____.
- ☒ An ☒ executed [] unexecuted declaration of the inventor(s)
[] also is enclosed [X] will follow.
- [] Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence --This
application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and/or 365 to _ filed in _ on _; the
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--This application is a continuation of International Application No. _ filed on _, which
International Application [] was [] was not published by the International Bureau in English
on _.--.
- ☒ Small entity status is hereby claimed.



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[X] The filing fee has been calculated as follows [] and in accordance with the enclosed preliminary amendment:

CLAIMS					
	NO. OF CLAIMS		EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Basic Application Fee					\$710.00 (101)
Total Claims	44	MINUS 20 =	24	× \$18.00 (103) =	432.00
Independent Claims	5	MINUS 3 =	2	× \$80.00 (102) =	160.00
If multiple dependent claims are presented, add \$270.00 (104)					0.00
Total Application Fee					1302.00
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Application Fee					651.00
Add Assignment Recording Fee \$ if Assignment document is enclosed					0.00
TOTAL APPLICATION FEE DUE					651.00

[X] This application is being filed without a filing fee. Issuance of a Notice to File Missing Parts of Application is respectfully requested.

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